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54 Combination instrument to sever and coagulate  
during minimally-invasive surgery

57 The invention relates to a combination surgical  
instrument in which the drive for a partial function  
of the instrument for which only two end positions  
must be assumed consists partially of components  
of selected shape-memory alloys. The shape-  
memory effect is achieved by means of indirect  
heating of the pertinent component, or directly by  
means of electrical current through the component.  
Upon cooling, the effect is reversed in the opposite  
direction.

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<sup>1</sup> Translator's Note: PatG = Patentgesetz = Law governing patents